
ARENA REPORT

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Welcome to another issue of "AR". It's alot easier being on a regular schedule. I'm sure you like it that way as well since you'll know when to expect your next issue. In this quest we have a live report from Lakeland where the WWF invaded on 9/14. This issue marks the final column by Jersey Joe Mullins but his spirit will live forever. (Bet his family wishes it would go away.) Marianne Ryan is along with more notes from some parking lot. Not sure which one. Scott Hudson joins us with another "Georgia Wrestling Journal". Hopefully we'll have a report on the Titan tapings held this week in Toledo and Flint, MI. That will appear in "Ramblings" along with other assorted "good stuff". And to answer your question, NO, I didn't win \$100 million bucks in the Florida lottery. We had 350 chances to win something if you combine all the tickets I bought for relatives and other friends up north. We won \$10.00. Won't even pay for a wrestling ticket. To the NWA or WWF that is.

The next issue of "AR" will be cover dated 10/8. It will feature the first ever editorial by your fearless editor and it will concern the NWA. It won't be pretty. We'll also take a look at the Sat. Night's Main Event which I believe airs on 9/29 and taped from Flint. Evan Ginzburg will give you another piece of his mind. (I don't know how much he's got left.) And Mike Terry who was at the WWF tapings in Toledo will be here with his 2 Cents. Cheapskate. Before continuing, I'd like to congratulate Bruce and Michele Ginevan on the birth of their baby girl, Britteny. Also, for you Baltimore area readers, I will be on Larry Katz's wrestling radio show on 9/29 from 1-2 a.m. (I guess that would be Sunday then huh?)

Arena Report is published bi-weekly at the cost of 75¢ per issue. All renewals, match reports, letters (While I'm typing this, I don't have ONE for this ish. We can't let Harry White carry that segment of "AR".) and news may be sent to Ron Lemieux, 916 Sloewood Ct. Lake Mary, FL 32746. A number appears on your label indicating how many issues you have remaining. Let's go to Lakeland where I ran into Bill Otten who shoots for the Japanese mags. He didn't work tonight so he took the empty seat next to me.

WORLD WRESTLING FEDERATION
Friday, September 14, 1990
Lakeland Civic Center
Lakeland, FL

Opening Match

Bob Bradley pinned Jim Powers in a mild upset at 7:34. Bradley looks like a relative of Jimmy Snuka more and more. Psycho II. Bob took a nice bump off a missed flying headbutt from the second rope. Powers got behind Bradley and pushed him into the corner but "The Cat" ducked and Jim hit the buckles head first and was covered. *

2nd Match

Battle Cat defeated Brooklyn Brawler in his Lakeland debut. Cat is Brady Boone. Fans took a liking to him. He wears a modified Mickey Mouse ears and mask. Goofy looking. His tights are similar in pattern to what Tiger Mask used to wear. Boone tries too hard though to be someone else. He's better as himself. He won with a Mexican rollup. *

3rd Match

Jimmy Snuka downed The Warlord via DQ in 8:55. What can I say. Lord was choking Superfly on the ropes and he pushed ref Rick Hunter away. -**

4th Match

Ted DiBiase beat Dusty Rhodes in 9:42. No Sapphire as she'll just go to the tapings. Great heat. As Dusty had Virgil in a sleeper outside the ring, Ted jumped down with a double sledge on Dust. A fan jumped over the barrier and they took him away. The finish saw Virgil get on the apron, Rhodes pushed the ref down and hit Virgil. Meanwhile, DiBiase got the million dollar belt (I would have bought it off him if I won the lottery.) and clobbered the Dream (?) with it for the win. Virgil is the resident WWF prankster. When he got in the ring, Morella was holding his hands in front of his ...ahem, as I guess Virgil likes to hit below the belt. Also, after the bout, he accidentally (?) tripped and knocked ring announcer Dino off his chair. Best bout of the night. ** $\frac{1}{2}$

5th Match

Sabasimba beat Buddy Rose in 7:30. They keep changing the spelling of this guy's name. Sort of like when Owen Hart came in. They didn't know if he was Blue Lazer, Blue Blazer, Purple Hazer etc. Pretty funny to watch Atlas dance. Maybe he and Teddy Long could enter a contest. This wasn't wrestling but comic relief. Rose was hilarious. Simba used the African drop to win the bout. Bad gimmick for Tony. $\frac{1}{2}$ *

Tag Team Match

Orient Express beat Bushwhackers in 11:41. Same bout move for move as Orlando last week. Finish saw Fuji hit Butch with the cane and Sato pinned him. Orlando bout was * $\frac{1}{2}$. Take away a star for unoriginality. $\frac{1}{2}$ *

Main Event-Steel Cage Match

Jake Roberts pinned Akeem in 10:30 to win this monstrosity. Was supposed to be Bad News but we know that story. Listed in program as Akeem. What was the sense of the cage? These two aren't feuding and if they were, who would care? Jake had Akeem's head through the cage. The big man was pretty funny but hey, this is wrestling. Read the marquee. The African Dream had Jake tied in the ropes and went to get Damien but Jake got out and rolled him up from behind. -*

Notes

They had a 700 advance and a total of 2,100. Horrible. The night before in West Palm Beach they drew 300 which makes them more than nervous since they are taping there in December.....There were some pretty pissed off people as on the Tampa TV, they mistakenly mentioned that the main in Lakeland would be the six man with Demos and Warriors. But that is skedded for Tampa.... Dean Malenko was in attendance as he's good buddies with Brady Boone.... When it was time for the cage match, ring announcer Dino motioned over to Bill to help put the cage up. Otten did his best to walk around while everyone else did the work. Come on Bill, how do you expect to be Rick Hunter's assistant with that sort of workrate?.....They had a special "Meet & Greet" the Bushwhackers before the show which was sponsored by Hooters. Figure out what Hooters is on your own. Wonder why Vince got involved with them?.....Some woman came up to Bill and myself and asked why security took a poster in favor of Dusty Rhodes away. I can't blame Titan here. I think security got a little carried away.....Faces in the crowd: Tony Garea, Arnold Skaalond, Jerry Brisco, George Bush, Ric Flair, and Jesse Helms. Overall, not a good wrestling show but I enjoyed myself anyway with seeing some new guys and shooting the bull with Mr. Otten.

Ramblings

Got a report from columnist Mike Terry on the WWF tapings held in Toledo, Ohio on 9/18. They taped "Superstars of Wrestling" and a SNME for air date on 10/13. (Not 9/29 as noted earlier.) The big angle was shot for Sat. Night's Main Event. Randy Savage was wrestling Dusty Rhodes with Dusty's son Dustin sitting in the front row. While the match was going on, Ted DiBiase and Virgil came down and started paying off people in the first row to vacate their seats as they were making their way to Dustin. Soon, the front row contained only Dustin, Ted, and Virgil. Dusty saw this and lumbered out of the ring but Savage launched an aerial attack and sledged Dust. A brawl broke out between DiBiase, Dustin and Virgil. Ted clotheslined Dustin over the barricade and popped him with a chair. Dustin was bleeding heavily. Dusty tried to help again but Randy hit him from above and Rhodes was counted out. This angle made no sense to me as there is not supposed to be blood on NBC since Boss Man bladed last year. Another source that was in Toledo that night told me that the chair shot was a shoot. There wasn't supposed to be any blood but there is legitimate hatred between Rhodes and DiBiase. Dustin was heard in the dressing room saying that if there weren't cameras present, he would have shoved the 100 dollar bills down Ted's throat. Vince didn't think the hatred was this bad and may pull the plug on the feud earlier than expected. So look for an editing job before the angle airs.....Other matches taped for SNME: Sgt. Slaughter beat Koko Ware; Kerry Von Erich defeated Haku; Legion of Doom and Ultimate Warrior beat Demolition when Warrior pinned Smash. Surprised they are putting this on but by that time, this six man gimmick will have run its course at the houses. Hogan and Tugboat beat Rhythm & Blues via DQ. Bravo and Earthquake came to ringside and while Tugger was distracted, Honkey blasted him over the head with the guitar. A brawl ensued until the faces cleared the ring. During the "posing" segment, a fan jumped in the ring to join the faces. Security let him go as Tugboat and Hulk let the guy join in.....Other news and noted from the taping: I'll let Mike explain this next thing in his own words, "There was one rather strange presence--that of a gigantic egg--at least 4x5 feet in a nest positioned near Brother Love's set. The egg got considerable camera time during all 3 Superstars shows, and was the subject of much speculation among the 7,500 in attendance but was never mentioned live in the arena. Could it be the re-birth of the Red Rooster? Has the San Diego Chicken signed on? Or is this the new superstar-Quiche Man?" I'll try to get the scoop on this before the end of this column....Rick Martel sprayed arrogance in Jake Robert's eyes setting up their feud....Warrior put a wig on Bro Love in another one of his segments....Earthquake pinned Boss Man when Dino Bravo distracted BBM and he was nailed from behind.....Only thing of note in Flint at the Challenge tapings the next night was Hennig beating Kerry via count out. The egg was also present in Flint with no mention of it there either.....Rick Martel will miss six more weeks due to his injury and Shawn Michaels should be back in a month after getting his knee scoped.... Brooklyn Brawler also out with a rib injury.....Ray Rougeau was once again present at the tapings walking around with a guy holding a suitcase. Wonder if there were eggs in there.....The Rosatti sisters showed up at that show in Poughkeepsie. They provided some bad comedy to the guys putting up the cage. Andy agrees with Mike Terry, Spandex was pushed right to the limit on this evening.....Finally got to hear Jerry Lawler on Cassette Wrestling News. A few things struck me funny. He said the NWA gimmick of Robocop was a joke. I agree but what about the time he had all those horror characters in Memphis. Was that serious? He also said that Dave Meltzer hasn't made any money in this business. I guess he doesn't consider the Observer part of the business. I guarantee most of the guys working indy's (including Memphis and World Class) would rather make what Dave makes in a year. As far as what Lawler said about Brian Tramel, how ungrateful. After all Jerry, didn't Brian give your rat a great score on the "Arena Rat Scoreboard"?..... Think it's time the NWA came up with a new montage for the opening of the Power Hour?

Steamboat, Muta, Murdoch, Santana...most of the guys they show are no longer there.....Vince has only signed Kerry to a one year contract so you know he doesn't totally trust the guy. I bet there won't be a second year....Nasty Ronnie ran a show in Tampa on 9/7 with Biff Wellington and Jumbo Baretta among others. Told there was a couple of UWF style matches (Japan, not the UWF that's non existant.) on the card.....If I had won that 100 million last week, the first thing I would have done was book myself on that Observer Japan trip. Okay, so my priorities are screwed up. Cheryl says so anyway..... Speaking of Japan, I saw a tape of Dr. Death and Terry Gordy against Abby and Ranger Ross. Poor Ranger, the fans were actually laughing at him..... I did find one thing in Japan they don't do better than americans. Run Battle Royals. Horrible. All they do is pig pile on top of guys and the ref counts to three. It happens one after another. At least that's how this one in Hiroshima was.....Some heat within the WWF for Sapphire making full pay even though she's only working TV.....Nasty Boys have looked better than I've ever seen them.....Klon always reminds me of something I never touched on. At the IWA tapings that we attended a couple of months ago, we saw Kevin Von Erich arrive and introduce himself to Tommy Rogers. Now think back. Not only did they work with each other for about 4 years when the Fantastics were in World Class, but isn't Rogers the one that saved Kevin's life when he passed out in the ring? This guy is running Dallas now? Yeah, right.....Add another lawsuit to Larry Sharpe. The Pit Bulls are now suing Sharpe. That makes three: Bigelow, Soultaker, and the Bulls.....ICW on 9/22 drew 300 as Vic Steamboat beat Undertaker Henchman on top.....Dennis Coraluzzo trying to get Midnights vs. Jeff Jarrett & Billy Travis for the Tom Robinson benefit card.....A couple of months ago I said I wouldn't be attending any live shows in October. I lied. The NWA comes to Klon's hometown of Melbourne on 10/11. Another reason the NWA will never be major league cities. Yeah, I know Klon, Melbourne is bigger than Lake Mary. Two days later we'll be hitting the whiff in Orlando. That's if Baby Dump doesn't arrive three weeks early.....My editorial on the NWA next issue deals mainly with how they handled changing the site of Starcade. If you want a good in depth look at what the NWA needs to do (How long do we have to tell them this.) send for Wrestling Perspective put out by Paul MacArthur and David Skolnick. It's a buck per issue and ask them for their most recent issue as a starting point. Write to them at 5231 E. Fox Hill Ln. Camillus, NY 13031.....Evan Ginzburg's next column goes a little more in depth on that great Tri-State card in Philly. You'll enjoy it.....For those that saw the plug for "AR" in last week's Observer, prices are still 75¢ per issue. Boy that Dave Meltzer does have some foresight though as prices will go up to \$1.00 an issue Jan. 1..... Next issue will have the intro of my new columnist who'll take over the Mull Man, he is known as "Hot Rod" in fanzine circles. He is Rodney Leighton and he'll be by with the "Leighton Move".....Correction on the lawsuit with Sharpe and company. It's Sharpe suing the boys.....Texas Roundup is the first sheet put out by a current wrestler. The cost is \$5 for 4 issues and the address is P.O. Box 75054-0262, Grand Praire, TX 75054.....Mark Callous to start up for Titan within the month.....Add Dick Slater to the list of names going to Memphis for that tourney for the vacant unified title.... Snowman showing up on indies in the Mempho area defending Unified title. The guy is one of the worst workers I've ever seen. If anyone saw his clips from bouts with Lawler in Memphis, they were horrendous.....Samoan Swat Team worked the Georgia All-Star tapings on 9/23 in Alpharetta. They no-showed their date that night in the Omni with the Steiners. Results from Omni card are in on-call's Correspondent's Corner.....NWA on 9/22 drew 5,500. Biggest gate since the Meadowlands. Rest of week was horrendous. 550 in Raleigh where Midnights did a job for the Freebirds. Results from that card next ish. Card on 9/22 was in Jacksonville.....That's it from here. Enjoy the rest of the issue and we'll see you in two weeks. WANTED: Letters To Editor. Thank you, bye.

SCOTT HUDSON'S.....

GEORGIA WRESTLING JOURNAL

IRAN! #1!..RUSSIA! #1! ATLANTA BRAVES...eh...well...back we are with issue number six of the Georgia Wrestling Journal. (Hey, wait'll next year!)

COBB COUNTY CIVIC CENTER (09-17-90) N.W.A. TV TAPINGS FOR AIR THE WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 28: Power Hour: Eaton over Smothers in the first Running The Gauntlet match with Cornette's interference..World Championship Wrestling: Luger over Stone..Rotunda & Taylor over State Patrol..G.W.Storm over Holiday..Junkfood Dog & El Gig-Andre over The Ringlords..Moondog Rex over over Riggins..Freebirds over Sawyer & Hart..Eaton over Morton in the second Running The Gauntlet match..The Juicer over Ford..Nasty Boys over Brad Armstrong and Lou Perez..Worldwide Wrestling: Anderson over Sawyer..Vicious over The Unknown Jobber..Pillman over Horowitz..Storm over Hart..Nasty Boys over Carr & Johnson..Terry Taylor over Stan Lane..Doom over Hambrick & Pennenteller..Main Event: Vicious over Eaton in the third and final Running The Gauntlet match..NEWS AND NOTES: Where do we start? G.W.Storm could be Jeff Warner of Maximum Overdrive however, I could not get close enough to the ring for a good look..During last week's taping, El Gig-Andre accompanied JFD to ringside for his single squash match. For some reason, the big guy stood on the ring apron like a tag team partner. Well, obviously someone got the word to him because during his tag team match at this taping, he stood on the floor..The second Gauntlet match actually went to a 15 draw, but the "rules" mandated that a 5 minute "Sudden Death" fall take place. During this fall, Eaton pinned Morton after Stan Lane's interference. The match was great..On WCW, Ross is interviewing Sting when Sid Vicious walks up to disrupt. During this, the Black Scorpion appears and begins punching at air (I'm not kidding). Brian Pillman runs-in to even things up. This was really weird to watch..The Juicer (Art Barr) looked to same as he did as Beetlejuice in Portland. His work was very good and he got over really well ..WCW closed with an interview with Hansen. He was handcuffed and took a hilarious bump off of the interview stage..During Arn's squash on WWW, Doom runs in with Sid making the save..Mother Trucker Norm sat at ringside while Pillman was squashing Horowitz..The Lane vs. Taylor match was really good with basically the same booking at Freebirds/Southern Boys from Clash XII..Eaton's last Gauntlet match was pretty much 4 minute squash for Sid..I had the good fortune of sitting with some of the family and friends of both Butch Reed and Rick Steiner. They were extremely nice people, although, it was hard to remember to whom they were refering when calling their kin "Rob" and "Bruce". Incidental, Reed still holds a fire for the rodeo game and may turn up in the arena roping a calf in the Kansas City area during off weeks. Also, apparently, the hair-died-blond gimmick was Reed's and not Vince's as we all thought..To give an autograph to a young fan, Rocky King borrowed a ball-point pen from another fan. After signing, Rocky walk-off with the pen until the fan called him back, asking for the pen. With all of that ridiculous face paint in place, Rocky looked at the fan and apologetically said "I'm sorry. My mind is gone." If he only knew how true that was..Ric Flair was injured on 9-15 in Detroit with pinched nerve. He will be back before you read this..Results of the 9-23 Omni show are elsewhere in this ish. ..Did anyone notice how much Tony Schiavone looked like Butch "Eddie Munster" Patrick on the recent Clash?..Our fearless editor was provided with a "State Patrol" ticket. Really

THE LAST WORD...

Before anyone asks, I do not have any 1994 Super Bowl or 1996 Summer Olympics tickets. I do have a couple of extra seats to the GAW tapings at the Alpharetta Auction Barn this Sunday. Any takers ? *Scott*

NOTES FROM THE PARKING LOT

By,
Marianne Ryan

OK, so SummerSlam and Clash of Champions XII-Fall Brawl-Mountain Madness (can we please give it just one more cute name) are history. Both provided some interesting moments, and a few surprises. One of those surprises was that I actually saw half the matches in Philadelphia. In my usual SS tradition, I left right after the Hart Foundation match. Needless to say, I was ecstatic that they won, and pretty happy that they were fifth. It gave me a chance to watch Kerry (maybe I'll talk to kids about the perils of drug use) Von Erich beat Curt (now I'm really sorry I got into that fight in East St. Louis) Hennig. I also got to see Shawn Michaels become even more endeared to young girls as those nasty boys, Paul Roma and Hercules, beat up on him and made him the recipient of more sympathy than the returning hostages from Kuwait.

From what I saw of SS, it was a better than average WWF PPV. We got two title changes, and got to see Dusty have a breakdown. He wasn't doing too much better backstage. After the Hart Foundation match, I was down in the locker room helping Sapphire get ready. Dusty was spotted in the hallway with tears in his eyes. And despite all the gifts, Sapphi wasn't too thrilled about turning. For those of you interested, the bag Sapphi was carrying was filled with \$100 bills. Bruce (Brother Love) Pritchard was personally responsible for each and every one of them.

After the show, most of the guys could be found celebrating. Bret and Jim were very subdued, albeit thrilled. I think I upset Bret a bit when he asked me what I thought of the match. I told him I was happy with the outcome, but I think he and Jim have wrestled better matches. That has more to do with their opponents than Bret and Jim themselves, but I still don't think he appreciated it. Shawn was constantly surrounded by girls, Curt didn't want to be bothered by anyone, and Barbarian, Haku and Akio Sato sat around talking in some language I didn't understand (Tongan, Japanese-I have no idea). Hogan showed up after last call.

The next two days were TV tapings. Tony Garea asked if I would be interested in getting in the ring with Rude for a Rude Awakening. I said only if I could turn him down. Needless to say, you won't be seeing me on TV. I had chats with Lanny Poffo and Dustin Rhodes (who begged me to drive him from Wheeling to Pittsburgh so he could catch an early flight home. I did, and missed most of the Wheeling taping). I also got to joke around with Mr. Fuji, who has a bad habit of making announcements in airports regarding my personal life.

Once back at home, I was lucky enough to see the NWA, oops, excuse me, World Championship Wrestling, present their fall festival of hairdo's. Missy Hyatt's is nice, but if she figured she would get more respect with darker hair, I suggest she try again. Acting like she has a brain might help (not that that is what you guys like about her). Lex Luger and Ric Flair look like poster boys for barber shop disaster aid. Perhaps the only thing scarier than their hair was the Freebirds. I'm afraid Michael and Jimmy Jam may have taken me seriously when I suggested they become the "Rocky Horror" tag team. Whatever it is they are doing, they need to stop it, immediately. As for that Scorpion guy, I really doubt anyone is losing much sleep over him, especially Sting. Just remember, these are the same people who brought us Robocop and a giant guy from South America who speaks no English, but does interviews.

Finally, in the odds and ends department, I thought it fitting that the first time I see the Ultimate Warrior pull off a legitimate wrestling submission hold, he does it on a CBS variety special. Warrior wasted a Boston crab on Phil Collins. He'll probably never do it again. It figures. And in Moline last week, announcer Mike McGuirk didn't quite make it, leaving agent Tony Garea to fill in. To give you an idea how bad he was, George Steele would have been more articulate. I'm serious. Have a good month, but don't get too caught up watching the leaves fall. There's plenty of good wrestling action-like Nikolai Volkof vs Sgt. Slaughter. Now that's something you wouldn't want to miss.

Jersey Joe Mullins, Jersey City, New Jersey

I am hereby placing my column, "Cosmic Clothesline", on indefinite suspension from ARENA REPORT. I "no-showed" the last issue of AR when my turn as a columnist came up and, like a wrestler who fails to make a gig, I believe I should be punished, even if I have to punish myself, and even if I have been under a lot of stress lately on my job where I am a stomach surgeon.

It seems the chief of staff at the medical center where I work, found out I was telling patients about my wrestling hobby just before I'd put them under general anesthesia. I was only trying to help them get their minds off the fact that they were about to be cut open from pubic hair-line to sternum, and I always thought the look in their eyes was one of excitement from hearing the truth about pro wrestling or that the muffled noises they were making were questions they had, but could not ask since their bodies and limbs were strapped to the table and their mouths were taped shut.

Contrary to what I believe was the case, the Head Surgeon believes my surgery patients were simply reacting in sheer terror to the fact that the man who was going to split open their bellies spent so much of his free time watching guys like Demolition Smash and Jake the Snake sticking out their tongues, playing with snakes on television or, when they were in the ring, blading, or brawling in the aisles. Consequently, I am being watched very closely now. (Do you have any idea how difficult it is not to talk about your favorite hobby when you are in the cafeteria, or in the mens' room, or on the job when the work is particularly routine and boring? I mean, when you've seen one pancreas, you've seen 'em all, right?)

But work-related-stress or not, there is no excuse for letting AR, it's fine editor, and his faithful readership down, and so, I'm going on hiatus now, maybe forever. (Please don't confuse me with my West Coast cousin Jeff Mullins, who puts out that ribald, reckless, irreverant Pro Wrestling Sushi newsletter for \$1.00, at P.O. Box 36189, San Jose, CA 95158. It still comes out monthly, unlike my recent and future columns.) Maybe, if I am careful, I can write a letter to the editor once in a while. Until then, I've simply got to work through all this and still pay attention to what I'm doing on the job, if you know what I mean. Well, I've got to go. I've got a gall bladder operation this afternoon and I'm dieing to tell someone what my cousin Jeff told me he is going to put in the next Sushi about the "real" reason Randy Savage is taking a vacation from the WWF as well as the identities of the pro wrestling brother(s) of Dave Meltzer, something that has been kept quiet too long as far as I am concerned. Hint: one wrestles for the NWA, the other for the WWF. One "flys" around a lot; the other carries a large piece of lumber into the ring.

Now, you tell me, if you were about to have your belly carved open, wouldn't information like that get your mind off the surgery and put you at ease?

The Omni (NWA) Atlanta, GA
Correspondent: Scott Hudson

September 23, 1990

1) The Juicer defeated Dutch Mantell. 3/4* Juicer wanted to work but you could tell he was being held back. 2) Terry Taylor pinned Iron Sheik after he blocked a punch with a foreign object and picked it up to clobber Sheik with it. *3/4 3) Master Blasters beat Alan Iron Eagle & Mike Rotunda. Bald blaster fired and replaced by Al Greene. *3/4 4) Big Van Vader splashed Tom Zenk in 3:41. ** 5) Steinners beat State Patrol who subbed for SST. Rick belly-belly on Wright. ** 6) Lex Luger DDQ Stan Hansen in a wild brawl that only went 3:13. Stan worked like he was in Japan. **1/2 7) Doom and Ric Flair & Arn Anderson went to a DDQ when all four were brawling. Doom was total face here. ***3/4 8) Sting pinned Black Scorpion who was Moondog Rex tonight. Sid and Stan ran in but Luger saved setting up Sid-Stan vs. Sting-Luger on next Omni card 10/14. ** Att: 5,300

Correspondent's Corner

Niagara Falls Convention Center (WWF)
Correspondent: Brent Clark

Niagara Falls, NY

August 26, 1990

1) Jim Brunzell pinned Black Bart after a dropkick in 13:10. 2) Power & Glory went to a double count out with the Hart Foundation in 15:24. Good when Bret and Roma were in. Paul was outside haggling with the fans when Bret flew over the top rope onto him. End came with all four brawling on the outside. 3) Warlord beat Pez Whatley with a running powerslam at 8:43. 4) Jake Roberts beat Bad News Brown via DQ as Bad News headbutted ref Shane McMahon at 9:27. Brent said Brown was going to get into trouble with Vince for that one. See, he got fired. Ha Ha. 5) Bob Bradley beat Barry O in 9:46. 6) Barbarian defeated Ronnie Garvin in 10:22 as Ron went for a sunset flip but Barbie just sat on him for the win. 7) Hulk Hogan beat Dino Bravo with the leg drop in 17:36. Quake and Jimmy Hart both at ringside. After the match, Hulk slammed Earthquake and the place went nuts. Att: 6,000

SUNY Laker Hall Gym (NCW)

Oswego, NY

August 30, 1990

Correspondent: Paul MacArthur

1) Cheetah Kid & Southern Jet beat Rhino Power. Power billed as NCW tag champs but no belts. Paul said they're learning from the NWA. Kid did some nice flying stuff. 2) Little Louie beat Tiger Jackson with a Susan Sexton roll up. (Hey Paul, what the Hell is that?) 3) Cousin Luke beat Baron Von Krush with a splash. 4) NCW champion Johnny Rodz retained his title against SEC Champion Big Sweet William who does a Sid type gimmick with the kneeling and all. Rodz does well in this type setting. Finish saw William's manager throw powder in his charges' eyes by accident and Johnny covered for the win. 5) S.D. Jones pinned Mondo Creed with a headbutt and splash. 6) Ken Patera used a rollup to pin Samoan Afa in a horrid bout. Att: 350

Mid-Hudson Civic Center (WWF)

Poughkeepsie, NY

August 31, 1990

Correspondent: Andy King

1) Barbarian pinned Ron Garvin in 11:42. Nothing special. 2) Saba Simba used a Samoan drop to beat Mike Sharpe in 11:40. 3) Ted DiBiase over Texas Tornado via DQ in 11:44 when Kerry hit Virgil. Grounds for a DQ? 4) Boris Zhukov pinned Jose Luis Rivera in 12:10. 5) Jim Neidhart powerslammed Paul Roma at 10:04. 6) Dusty Rhodes downed Randy Savage in a cage at 12:44.....See "Ramblings" to a sidenote on this card.

Canton Civic Center (NWA)

Canton, OH

September 12, 1990

Correspondent: Greg Yarman

1) Tommy Rich pinned Blade Hunter (Al Greene) with a trunk pull. Big Al a sub for Mean Mark. 2) Master Blasters beat Tim Horner & Mike Rotundo when the scrubs double shoulderblocked Horner. 3) Steiner Brothers over Samoan Swat Team via DQ. They brawled back to the building afterwards. 4) Jackie Fulton beat Dutch Mantell (How the once mighty have fallen.) Bout had tons of comedy. 5) Midnight Express beat Tom Zenk & Brian Pillman when Lane pinned Z-Man. Cornette announced as having a head cold and couldn't make it. 6) Arn Anderson & Sid Vicious beat Junkyard Dog & Brad Armstrong when Arn pinned Brad. Bout was good when the latter twp were in. Sid cheered more than anyone in this bout. 7) Sting once again pinned Flair with an inside cradle. Sting got into it with a fan before the match. Great rep this guy is getting.

Boston Garden (WWF)

Boston, MA

September 15, 1990

Correspondent: Louie Fortuna

Boston Garden (WWF)

Boston, MA

September 15, 1990

Correspondent: Louie Fortuna

1) Dustin Rhodes pinned Black Bart in 13:40 with an atomic elbow. Surprised the crowd popped when Dustin came out. 2) Ron Garvin rolled up Pez Whatley in 9:53. Pez a sub for Akeem who was battling (?) Jake somewhere. 3) Hacksaw Duggan pinned Conquistador #356 in 5:51 with the spear. Rivera a sub for Rick Rude. No idea what his deal is at this time. 4) Paul Roma pinned Marty Jannetty at 9:21. They had a coin toss to see who would wrestle Marty. Lucky for Louie, Roma won. Jannetty went for a suplex but Hercules pulled his feet out and Paul scored the victory. 5) The Genius beat S.D. Jones with a back somersault at 7:23. Jones a sub for Shane Douglas. 6) Sgt. Slaughter squashed Nikolai Volkoff in 4:41 with the knuckles to the temple. That always use to hurt when my uncle did it to me. 7) Ultimate Warrior & Legion of Doom beat Demolition in 12:10. Lots of heat and all action. Warrior (the Ultimate one) pinned Smash after his flying tackle. Att: 6,000

Pennsylvania Hall (TSWA)

Philadelphia, PA

September 15, 1990

Correspondent: Ted Field

1) Eddie Gilbert used a hot shot to pin Cactus Jack in a hot opener. 2) Adrian Street beat Jimmy Valiant when Miss Linda slugged the "Boogie Man" with her purse. They did a bit where they both tried to kiss Scott Dickinson. Valiant succeeded. Reminiscent of Tony Schiavone. 3) D.C. Drake w/ Woman beat Rockin Rebel w/ Baby Doll as Baby Doll turned heel and threw powder in Rebel's face. 4) Kevin "I just got World Class back so I can run the promotion in the ground." Von Erich & Chris Adams went to a double count out with Al Perez & Austin Idol. 5) Mr. Sandman beat J.T. Smith when ref Ron Shaw turned on Smith. 6) Abdullah the Butcher and Manny Fernandez went to a double DQ. Manny wasn't at the building for start of this match so Manson came out and juiced like crazy until Manny showed up and just walked in the ring and took Cactus's place. 7) Tony Stetson over Johnny Hotbody in a hair match but C.N. Red came out and attacked Stetson before clippers could go into effect. 8) Jerry Lawler beat Terry Funk via DQ for piledriving the referee. Eddie Gilbert then came out to doubleteam Lawler until Idol made the save. 9) Rockin Rebel won a reverse steel cage where everyone brawls outside and the first one in the cage is the winner. Sounds like an awesome show. Att: 1,500

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1) Sgt. Rock over Coconut Kid. 2) Debbie Drake defeated A.J. Watson in a ladies match. 3) Terminator pinned Ron Slinker. 4) Dick Slater beat Bodyguard Mark. 5) Steve Keirn beat Johnny Ace in a bout that had Johnny G. Lyons handcuffed to Dick Slater.